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Radio Station  
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IN RE: Section 73.202(b)  
FM Table of Assignments  
Oxford, Mississippi

ADD: Channel 286A  
RM: 8788

COMMENTS AND COUNTERPROPOSAL OF TRI COUNTY BROADCASTING CO., INC.

TO THE COMMISSION:

Comes now, Tri County Broadcasting Company, Inc., ( hereinafter TCB) with comments and a counterproposal for the requested channel in the above captioned matter. TCB is the permittee of Station WLPX, Water Valley, Mississippi on FM Channel 288A. TCB is in the process of securing a transmitter site North of Water Valley, that will permit the station to construct a taller tower and serve a potential audience of some 50% more persons that possible from the current authorized site /1.

If Channel 286A is allocated to Oxford, Mississippi, it will severely restrict the options for a transmitter site for WLPX, due to the proximity of the frequencies of the stations: Oxford proposal on 286A and WLPX on Channel 288A.

Attached hereto is a frequency allocation study indicating that Channel 292A is assignable to Oxford, in full compliance with the Commission's rules, and will place the required signal strength over the city of Oxford. /2 The Commission has held the position in the past that all channels are equal insofar as coverage is concerned; hence, Channel 292A at Oxford is comparable to Channel 286A. Further, as outlined above, Channel 292A would have no restrictive effect on an improved site for WLPX, Water Valley.

All above premises considered, it appears to be in the public interest to assign FM Channel 292A to Oxford, in lieu of Channel 286A. TCB therefore requests that the Commission amend the proposed rulemaking as follows:

Section 72.202(b)  
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Oxford, Mississippi

ORIGINAL PROPOSAL Add: Channel 286A  
AMENDED PROPOSAL Add: Channel 292A

*Tommy Darby*

Regards,  
Tri County Broadcasting Co., Inc

Tommy Darby, President May 1, 1996

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1/ WLPX is currently authorized on Channel 288A, 6KW with HAAT of 55M

Co-Ordinates 34°07'30" NL and 89°39'01"WL

The proposed allocation of Channel 286A, Oxford, will restrict potential sites for WLPX as it tries to reach a larger audience from a taller and more centrally located tower, which must be located North of Water Valley ( in the direction of proposal's tower).

2/ The alternate proposed channel for Oxford, Channel 292A would have reference Co-ordinates 34°15'00" NL and 89°25'54" WL. See Exhibits attached.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE:

I , Tommy Darby, President of Tri County Broadcasting Co., Inc, have mailed by US First Class Mail, a complete copy of the attached Comments and Counterproposal to the following:

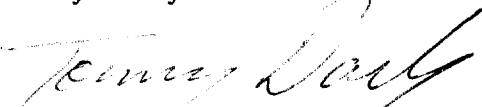
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I further certify this filing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

This the 1 of May, 1996

Tommy Darby



Personally appeared before me , this the 1 dau of May, 1996.

  
J. Boyd Ingram, Notary Public My commission expires June 28, 1996.

REFERENCE  
34 15 00 N  
89 25 54 W

CLASS A  
Current rules spacings  
CHANNEL 292 -106.3 MHz

DISPLAY DATES  
DATA 03-29-96  
SEARCH 04-15-96

CALL	CH#	CITY	STATE	BEAR'	D-KM	R-KM	MARGIN
WOXD	238A	Oxford	MS	304.8	10.29	10.0	0.29 <
WOXD.A	238A	Oxford	MS	304.8	10.29	10.0	0.29 <
WWZDFM	294C2	New Albany	MS	61.7	55.38	55.0	0.38 <
WAID	293C2	Clarksdale	MS	264.9	111.03	106.0	5.03
WGKX	290C	Memphis	TN	340.6	106.55	95.0	11.55
WBTGFM	292C3	Sheffield	AL	71.4	158.02	142.0	16.02
WMXU	291C2	Starkville	MS	145.8	128.02	106.0	22.02
WLTD	292A	Lexington	MS	202.7	137.71	115.0	22.71
AP292	292A	Belzoni	MS	220.0	147.68	115.0	32.68
AP295	295A	Crenshaw	MS	288.4	65.39	31.0	34.39
ALOPEN	295A	Crenshaw	MS	291.7	68.74	31.0	37.74
ALOPEN	292A	Belzoni	MS	216.6	153.70	115.0	38.70

